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MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Our membership year runs September 1–August 31.

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A full year's dues from new members received after March 1 will be applied to the next membership year, which starts September 1. New MOS life members will pay “Chapter Only” membership dues to hold membership in the Baltimore Bird Club. The life membership fee is a one-time donation to the MOS Sanctuary Fund and is deductible for income tax purposes to the extent provided by law.

If you wish to join the Baltimore Bird Club, or if you are already a member and want to pay your dues, the best way is online at the Baltimore page of the Maryland Ornithological Society, https://mdbirds.org/join/chapters/baltimore-bird-club/#toggle-id-4. If you prefer to join by mail, please complete the BBC membership application, enclose check payable to "MOS," and mail to:

Carol S Daugherty
MOS Treasurer
11925 Oden Court
Rockville, MD 20852

Further contributions, land donations, living trusts and bequests are gratefully accepted and may be directed, if so desired, to a specific project or to the MOS Sanctuary Fund.

THE MARYLAND ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY
The Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS), organized in 1945, is an independent, non-profit educational bird-watchers organization with many local chapters throughout the state, including our Baltimore Bird Club. Many activities are sponsored at the state level, including teacher scholarships to summer nature camps, research grants, and the annual convention.

The two MOS periodical publications are: *Maryland Yellowthroat*, the club bimonthly newsletter and *Maryland Birdlife*, a quarterly report of observations.


MOS SANCTUARIES
The MOS has properties set aside to preserve habitat in various locations throughout the state, including two with houses suitable for overnight accommodations. See the MOS Web Page at https://www.MDBirds.org and MOS Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/Maryland-Ornithological-Society-117735355227722/
BALTIMORE BIRD CLUB

The purpose of our club is to function as a local chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society, Inc, and to further educational, scientific, and charitable pursuits relating to bird life in Maryland. The BBC sponsors field trips, bird counts, lectures, youth programs, scholarships, the Lights Out Baltimore Campaign, and other conservation efforts.

Chip Notes
Chip Notes is our club newsletter, produced quarterly, providing information about birds, birders and club activities in the Baltimore area. Members are alerted via email when Chip Notes is available on-line. Paper copies are available upon request. Members are encouraged to send articles to our editor: Alina Martin, alinacmartin@gmail.com, 443-934-4300

Baltimore Bird Club E-News
We also send, via e-mail, a monthly e-news bulletin with announcements, updates and reminders of major upcoming events. This service is only available to BBC members and cannot be accessed through the BBC website. Please let the membership secretary know if your email address changes so we can keep your e-bulletin coming.

Baltimore Bird Club on the Internet
Check us out at www.baltimorebirdclub.org for updates and changes to our activities schedule including field trips, bird lists, links to Maryland & DC Birding reports, to the state MOS organization's web page, links to several other regional rare bird alerts and other organizations and activities, membership application form, and more.

Baltimore Bird Club on Facebook
BBC now has a Facebook page that members can access, whether or not they are members of Facebook. To contribute and/or receive routine updates, you need to join. Check us at: www.facebook.com/groups/382565775136349/members/.

Lights Out Baltimore
Lights Out Baltimore was formed by a group of concerned BBC birdwatchers who had seen firsthand how lights and windows can injure or kill birds. Our goal is to make Charm City safe for migratory birds by turning out decorative lighting in the city during Fall and Spring migration between the hours of 10 pm and 6 am. We also advocate for bird-safe building design that makes glass and windows visible to birds. Learn about LOB on their website and Facebook pages: http://www.lightsoutbaltimore.org
https://www.facebook.com/savethebaltimorebirds

BBC Headquarters at Cylburn Arboretum
The BBC and MOS have had a long-standing relationship with Cylburn Arboretum. We continue this association in many ways.

Cylburn Birds and Nature Museum
BBC has an outstanding collection of mounted birds, visual aids, and other resources at Cylburn. The bird museum formerly housed in the Cylburn Carriage House is now closed for renovation. However, some mounted birds as well as paper records and natural history collections are stored in the third floor BBC
work room in the Cylburn Mansion. Contact John Dennehy, 410-653-5214, jedennehy@verizon.net with questions about the BBC collections.

Tuesday Evening Lectures at Cylburn
Meetings with presentations on birds and related topics are held at Cylburn in the Greenhouse Classroom on the first Tuesday of each month from September through November and March through May. In January we offer a special lecture at the annual Covered Dish Dinner in the Vollmer Center at Cylburn. For Tuesday lectures, the doors open at 7:00 pm for refreshments and socialization. The program begins about 7:20 and ends about 9:00. Due to COVID restrictions, the lecture may be held online. Please check our website, Facebook, eNews or Chip Notes to verify the lecture is being held in person. Tuesday Evening events are canceled if City schools are closed that day. When in doubt, check with field trip/lecture chairperson Neville Fernandes, 443-722-7873, neville.ferns@gmail.com

We have planned an extensive program of lectures and field trips, but public health guidelines are changing so rapidly that we do not know what restrictions may be placed on these events. For field trips, contact the leader for the latest information regarding each trip and let them know of your questions or concerns. The number of participants will be at the leader's discretion.

Birders should carefully consider health risks before attending a field trip. Attendance is at your own risk. The Baltimore Bird Club is not liable.
FIELD TRIP GUIDELINES

- Check BBC program trip leader, schedule, newsletter, website and e-bulletin for trip details and changes.
- Trips may be limited so you must register with the trip leader in advance.
- The field trip leader may require that participants wear masks and encourage social distancing.
- There may be other requirements that field trip leaders request such as participants to sign waivers, have temperature checks, or provide vaccination records. If there are special requirements the field trip leader will inform those participants that sign up for the trip.
- Participants are responsible for reaching out to the field trip leader if they have specific questions about the trip, health concerns, or require accommodations to attend the trip.
- Report arrival and departure to leader.
- Do not go ahead of leader while following on the trail or in carpool caravan.
- Speak quietly on a field trip or move to the back of the group when talking. “Bird listening” is as important as “Bird watching”.
- DO NOT play bird song or call recordings without leader approval.
- Leave your dog at home.
- Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- “Take nothing but pictures, leave only footprints.”
MAY

May 1 (Sun) 8:00 AM-12:00 PM Oregon Ridge and Agricultural Center. Oregon Ridge is a good spot for warblers, thrushes, and other passerines. The Center for Maryland Agriculture, just across Shawan Road, has a variety of open habitats and fields; we'll look here for a few grassland specialists - Eastern Meadowlark, Grasshopper Sparrow, and Bobolink. Meet at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center. RSVP to leader Required. Trip limited to 10 participants. Leader: Libby Erricson, elizabeth.errickson@gmail.com

May 1 (Sun) 8:15 AM-11:00 AM Cylburn Walk. Meet at the main Vollmer Center parking lot for easy birding in Cylburn's gardens and urban forest. Expect to find a variety of migrant and resident birds. Some paths are not paved and can be hilly. Beginning birders welcome. Trip limited to 10 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Peter Lev, plev@comcast.net or 410-952-9426.

May 3 (Tues) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Lake Roland. Continuing series of weekly walks following the progress of spring migration in Lake Roland's varied habitats. Meet at the Light Rail Parking Lot (Boardwalk entrance to the park). Check with the leader if the weather is extreme (rain, wind). Participants must sign a Covid-19 waiver. Trip limited to 20 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Peter Lev, plev@comcast.net or 410-952-9426.

May 3 (Tues) 7:00 PM-9:00 PM Tuesday Evening Lectures. Continuing a series of monthly feature presentations and slide shows September-November and March-May. Tonight: "Panama." In 2019, Gail Mackiernan and Barry Cooper joined friends from England for two weeks in Panama. This was Gail and Barry's third trip to that country, but reports of breeding Crested and Harpy Eagles provided a great reason for another visit! The group spent about five days at the famous Canopy Tower near the Panama Canal and six days at the Canopy Camp in the far-eastern province of Darién. In two weeks, they tallied about 300 species of birds, as well as a number of interesting mammals, including cute Sloths and noisy Howler Monkeys. Bird highlights were many, topped perhaps by smashing views of a Harpy Eagle at its nest, feeding a large chick, a totally unexpected encounter with a huge Crested Eagle perched along a remote road, close views of a confiding Black-crowned Antpitta, the enigmatic Sapayoa, Ocellated and Bare-crowned Antbirds and thousands of Mississippi Kites winging their way north over the forest. Please check eNews or our website for current viewing information. Speaker: Gail Mackiernan.

POSTPONED May 4 (Wed) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM First Wednesday Walks at Fort McHenry. Due to inclement weather predictions-Fort McHenry Walk will be rescheduled to May 11.

CANCELED May 7 (Sat) 7:00 AM-11:00 AM Southwest Area Park. This trip has been canceled due to bad weather.

CANCELED May 7 (Sat) 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Green Mount Cemetery.

May 8 (Sun) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Druid Hill Park- Boat lake. Druid Hill Park is Baltimore's oldest large park, and its 745 acres contain a variety of excellent habitats. We'll search the lake, ponds, wetland, forests, and fields for some of the 190 species that have been seen here over the years. This trip is timed for the peak of warbler migration, with the potential for many species. We'll walk approximately 3 miles on mildly hilly terrain, but all paths and trails are paved or mowed making this walk accessible to nearly everyone. (NOTE:
May 8 (Sun) 8:15 AM-11:00 PM  **Cylburn Walk.** Meet at the main Vollmer Center parking lot for easy birding in Cylburn's gardens and urban forest. Expect to find a variety of migrant and resident birds. Some paths are not paved and can be hilly. Beginning birders welcome. Trip limited to 10 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Mark Linardi, 443-834-8413 or mlinardi@outlook.com.

May 8 (Sun) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Marshy Point Nature Center.** Easy half-day walk through varied habitats for feeder birds and other songbirds, raptors, and waterfowl. A half-mile trail leads to a point overlooking Dundee Creek. All are welcome, including families. Telescopes useful. Leaders: Brent and Mary Byers, baypuffin@hotmail.com or 410-686-7294.

May 10 (Tues) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Lake Roland.** Continuing series of weekly walks following the progress of spring migration in Lake Roland's varied habitats. Meet at the Light Rail Parking Lot (Boardwalk entrance to the park). Check with the leader if the weather is extreme (rain, wind). Participants must sign a Covid-19 waiver. Trip limited to 20 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Ron Davis, ronlavis1963@gmail.com, 410-821-1297.

May 10 (Tues) 7:00 PM-9:00 PM  **BBC Board Meeting.** While only authorized board members have a vote, any club member is welcome to attend and participate in discussions. Call any club officer or board member for details.

May 11 (Wed) 7:30 AM-10:30 AM  **Cromwell Valley Park.** Cromwell Valley Park offers a varied habitat with many possibilities especially during Spring migration, and is one of the best all-round places to see birds in Baltimore County. We will be looking for warblers and other migrants, and search the open meadows for swallows, flycatchers, raptors, and more. All trails we'll walk are mowed grass, packed gravel, or paved, and generally flat so this walk is accessible to most participants. Beginning birders welcome! Leader: John Landers, dado1bw@aol.com, 410-292-9549.

May 11 (Wed) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  **First Wednesday Walks at Fort McHenry.** Continuing survey of bird activity at the Fort. Binoculars required. A telescope can be useful for distance viewing. Canceled in bad weather and walk will be rescheduled to May 18. General grounds include the paved Seawall Trail. Meet in the large grassy unpaved roped off parking lot to left of gate. An online National Aquarium release form is required to be filled out in advance for entry into the restricted Wetland area: https://aqua.formstack.com/forms/waiverandrelease . Please follow any COVID-19 protocols listed for Baltimore City at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html. Leader: Mary Chetelat, 410-665-0769, mechetelat@icloud.com (alternate contact Wendy Alexander, 443-204-3754).

May 14 (Sat) All Day May **Count.** Here’s your opportunity to count birds in a Baltimore City or Baltimore County territory of your choice on one of the best migration dates of the year. Feeder bird watchers are also welcome. Contact the coordinator ahead of time to avoid duplication. Coordinator: Libby Errickson, elizabeth.errickson@gmail.com.

May 15 (Sun) 7:30 AM-1:00 PM  **Susquehanna State Park, Rock Run Gristmill.** Trip to the river in Harford County for breeding Cerulean and Prothonotary Warblers and a collection of spring migrants. This is one of Maryland’s best spring warbler watching sites; 18 to 24 warbler species are possible in a single day. Paths
are uneven, unpaved, and some are hilly. Meet at the lot at the end of Rock Run Rd., next to the old mill building. RSVP to leader required. Leader: Joe Corcoran, corcoran2921@gmail.com, or 667-231-6453.

May 17 (Tues) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Lake Roland.** Continuing series of weekly walks following the progress of spring migration in Lake Roland's varied habitats. Meet at the Light Rail Parking Lot (Boardwalk entrance to the park). Check with the leader if the weather is extreme (rain, wind). Participants must sign a Covid-19 waiver. Trip limited to 20 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Mark Linardi, 443-834-8413 or mlinardi@outlook.com.

May 21 (Sat) 9:00 AM-3:00 PM  **Red Knots and Horseshoe Crabs on the Dealware Bay.** One of the great spectacles of nature in our region is the northward passage of Red Knots, Ruddy Turnstones, and other long-distance shorebird migrants. We will explore the central Delaware Bay coast, looking for migrant shorebirds and the horseshoe crabs whose eggs they rely on to complete their journey north. We will spend some time looking for banded migrant shorebirds and learn about reading and reporting the bands. We will also look for some of the more localized breeding species on the Delaware Bay, including Saltmarsh Sparrows and the coastal plain subspecies of Swamp Sparrow. Exact route will be determined by the leader based on tides and horseshoe crab spawning activity. Note this is an all-day trip; snacks, sunscreen, bug spray highly recommended! Likely locations include: Port Mahon Rd, Pickering Beach, Ted Harvey Conservation Area, Mispillion Harbor, and Prime Hook Beach Rd. We will meet at the Port Mahon Fishing Pier. Trip limited to 15 people. RSVP to leader. Leader: Mike Hudson, mike.p.hudson@gmail.com.

May 21 (Sat) 8:00 AM-9:30 AM  **Druid Hill Park.** Join Audubon and the Maryland Zoo to explore this leafy city park. From forest to lake, a variety of bird species await. For information, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

POSTPONED May 21 (Sat) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Saturday Morning Monitoring Walk at Fort McHenry.** Due to inclement weather predictions the Fort McHenry Walk will be rescheduled to May 28.

May 22 (Sun) 8:00 AM-4:00 PM  **Youth Birding**. "Shore Birds and the Horseshoe Crab" will be this month's theme. These walks are designed to encourage the appreciation of birds and bird habitat conservation to minors through mentorship and education. They will change monthly and may include youth-oriented education programs, youth birding trips, and competitions. Please contact the leader for more information. Meet at Dupont Nature Center. Leader: Daisy Sudano, dsudanotrainings@yahoo.com, 443-416-9867.

May 22 (Sun) 8:15 AM-12:00 PM  **Days Cove.** BIRDING BY CANOE AT DAYS COVE. Explore Days Cove from a canoe! There is nothing quite like the experience of birding by boat and truly slipping into the natural habitat. Days Cove is a unique location in Baltimore County as it is the confluence of the Big and Little Gunpowder Falls, the spot where they empty into the Chesapeake Bay and is usually closed to the public. The habitat is a forested wetland with abundant coves to explore and provides excellent opportunities to see Marsh Wrens, Least Bitterns, Rails, and other wetland specialties. The trip will start at the Days Cove Environmental Education Center where canoes and lifejackets will be provided for $10 per participant, to be collected on-site before the trip (cash preferred). No experience is necessary, but participants must be at least 12 years old to join us. Hats, sunscreen, insect repellent, and layered clothes are recommended as we’ll be on open water for around 2.5hrs and conditions can be unpredictable. In case of inclement weather or windy conditions, which would make paddling unsafe, we’ll make this a walking trip or cancel altogether (I’ll contact you if this is the case). The gates will be locked promptly at 8:20am, so please be
prompt! LIMIT OF 20 PARTICIPANTS, RSVP to leader required. Leader: Sam Tillman, sam.tillman@gmail.com, 443-844-5917.

**May 24 (Tues) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Lake Roland.** Continuing series of weekly walks following the progress of spring migration in Lake Roland’s varied habitats. Meet at the Light Rail Parking Lot (Boardwalk entrance to the park). Check with the leader if the weather is extreme (rain, wind). Participants must sign a Covid-19 waiver. Trip limited to 20 participants. Pre-registration required - RSVP to the leader. Leader: Devi Abbot, abbottdevi@gmail.com or 410-308-0079.

**May 28 (Sat) 8:00 AM-9:30 AM Patterson Park.** Join Audubon to explore this urban oasis in southeast Baltimore. With more than 200 species on record, the park is full of surprises. For directions, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

**May 28 (Sat) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Saturday Morning Monitoring Walk at Fort McHenry.** Continuing survey of bird activity at the Fort. Binoculars required. A telescope can be useful for distance viewing. Canceled in bad weather. General grounds include the paved Seawall Trail. Meet in the large grassy unpaved roped off parking lot to left of gate. An online National Aquarium release form is required to be filled out in advance for entry into the restricted Wetland area: https://aqua.formstack.com/forms/waiverandrelease. Please follow any COVID-19 protocols listed for Baltimore City at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html. Leader: Wendy Alexander, 443-204-3754.

**May 29 (Sun) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Herring Run Park.** This urban park in Northeast Baltimore is an oasis for many migrating and resident birds species. Easy walking on mostly flat, paved paths. Habitats include open fields, edge habitat, wooded areas, and Herring Run itself. RSVP required. Reply to Matt Lince, 443-324-0907 or mdlince@comcast.net. Leader: Kim Tomko.

**JUNE**

**RESCHEDULED Jun 1 (Wed) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM First Wednesday Walks at Fort McHenry.** This walk has been rescheduled for June 8.

**June 4 (Sat) 8:00 am. Oregon Ridge Park.** Join us for pop-up walks during the month of June at Oregon Ridge Park. Oregon Ridge Park has one of the highest sites of avian biodiversity in Baltimore County. Over 165 species occur as year-round residents, as migratory species during spring and fall, or as breeding birds that use Oregon Ridge as a place to raise their young. We will be looking for many of the 55+ species that nest here including both Baltimore and Orchard Orioles, Scarlet Tanagers, Grasshopper Sparrows, Acadian Flycatchers, Wood Thrush, Red-shouldered and Red-tailed Hawks, and many more. Other notable birds to see are the Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, Warbling Vireo, Blue Grosbeak, and many others. Meet at 8:00 am at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center. Leader: Libby Errickson, elizabeth.errickson@gmail.com.
June 7 (Tues) 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. Tuesday Evening Lecture Series: Hybrid Online/In-Person. Continuing a series of monthly feature presentations and slide shows September-November and March-May. The postponed April 5 Tuesday Evening Lecture has been rescheduled for 7:00 pm on June 7, 2022 as a hybrid, in-person lecture at the Greenhouse Classroom, Cylburn Arboretum, and as a Zoom lecture for those unable to attend in person. This month: "Birding in Maine: Participating in the Field Ornithology Workshop at the Audubon Society's Hog Island Camp" by Adam Zurgable. Each year the Maryland Ornithological Society (the Baltimore Bird Club’s parent organization) awards scholarships to teachers/naturalists who work with young students and want to increase their knowledge of bird biology and ecology. As a 2021 scholarship recipient, Adam will share his excitement attending a week-long Hog Island field course. He will describe how he plans to incorporate the skills he learned into Oregon Ridge's Nature Center programs where he works as a volunteer Naturalist.

Jun 8 (Wed) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  First Wednesday Walks at Fort McHenry. This walk was originally scheduled for June 1. Continuing survey of bird activity at the Fort. Binoculars required. A telescope can be useful for distance viewing. Canceled in bad weather and walk will be rescheduled to June 8. General grounds include the paved Seawall Trail. Meet in the large grassy unpaved roped off parking lot to left of gate. An online National Aquarium release form is required to be filled out in advance for entry into the restricted Wetland area: https://aqua.formstack.com/forms/waiverandrelease. Please follow any COVID-19 protocols listed for Baltimore City at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html Leader: Mary Chetelat, 410-665-0769, mechetelat@icloud.com (alternate contact Wendy Alexander, 443-204-3754).

Jun 11 (Sat) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Habitat Walk: Leakin Park Pollinator Meadow. In December 2020, BGE planted 3 acres of meadow in Leakin Park along a forest clearing created for a natural gas pipeline. How is this pollinator meadow doing? What birds are nesting there? Moderate difficulty walking. Limited to 10 people; must be fully vaccinated and wear face masks. Co-leaders Ashley Bowers of Baltimore City Dept. of Recreation and Parks and Paul Kreiss of BBC. Registration in advance is required. Leader: Paul Kreiss, 410-367-8194 or paulkreiss@verizon.net.

Jun 11 (Sat) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM Monkton, Md. Join Lani on a walk on private property in Monkton. We should see eastern meadowlarks, grasshopper sparrows, bobolinks possible, chimney swifts, yellow-billed cuckoos, several vireo and warbler species, wood thrushes, bald eagles, willow flycatchers, both orioles, scarlet tanagers, and the strong possibility of all six breeding woodpeckers, including nesting red-headed woodpeckers. It's about a 1.5-mile route through the meadow (mowed path) and woods, with some hills. There will be some mud on the trail and a couple of small, possibly ankle-deep, streams to cross. RSVP please. Location will be given to when you register. Leader: Lani Hyde, 410-812-2425.

Jun 12 (Sun) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM Marshy Point Nature Center. Easy half-day walk through varied habitats for feeder birds and other songbirds, raptors, and waterfowl. A half-mile trail leads to a point overlooking Dundee Creek. All are welcome, including families. Telescopes useful. Leaders: Brent and Mary Byers, baypuffin@hotmail.com or 410-686-7294.

Jun 12 (Sun) BBC Pot-Luck Picnic, Eagle Mill Farm. The event will be held at Eagle Mill Farm in Parkton MD., about 25 minutes from the inter-change of 695 and 83 North. It's a 100+ acre family property with the very beautiful Little Gunpowder River flowing through it. The event is officially 11:30 am-2:30 pm, but earlier birding from 9:30 am on is fine. There is also a wonderful, clean pond for swimming, canoeing, and fishing (bring your own poles). Pot Luck sharing will also happen here. There's a field right next to the
pond where a games can happen, like volleyball or kickball or whiffle ball. There’s also equipment for Corn Hole games. Please bring a chair as seating is limited. There is a place to change into swimming clothes. There is no running water for drinking or cleaning, so bring your own. We will supply a very clean portable toilet. And there will be recycling bins or bags for cans and bottles, etc., but please bring re-useable dishware and utensils. We want to minimize throw away trash. Paper plates and napkins are ok for throw away. Any questions contact coordinator Devi Abbott (best to text first if possible), 410-308-0079 or abbottdevi@gmail.com, 410-308-0079.

**June 17 (Fri) 7:00 am. Oregon Ridge Park.** Join us for pop-up walks during the month of June at Oregon Ridge Park. Oregon Ridge Park has one of the highest sites of avian biodiversity in Baltimore County. Over 165 species occur as year-round residents, as migratory species during spring and fall, or as breeding birds that use Oregon Ridge as a place to raise their young. We will be looking for many of the 55+ species that nest here including both Baltimore and Orchard Orioles, Scarlet Tanagers, Grasshopper Sparrows, Acadian Flycatchers, Wood Thrush, Red-shouldered and Red-tailed Hawks, and many more. Other notable birds to see are the Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, Warbling Vireo, Blue Grosbeak, and many others. Meet at 7:00 am at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center. Leader: Simon Best, simonrabest@gmail.com.

**June 18 (Sat) 8:00 AM-9:30 AM Druid Hill Park.** Join Audubon and the Maryland Zoo to explore this leafy city park. From forest to lake, a variety of bird species await. For information, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

**June 19 (Sun) 9:00 AM-11:00 AM **Youth Birding**. "Bird Friendly Back Yards" will be this month's theme. These walks are designed to encourage the appreciation of birds and bird habitat conservation to minors through mentorship and education. They will change monthly and may include youth-oriented education programs, youth birding trips, and competitions. Please contact the leader for more information. Meet at Fairwood Forest. Leader: Daisy Sudano, dsudanotrainings@yahoo.com, 443-416-9867.

**June 25 (Sat) 8:00 AM-9:30 AM Patterson Park.** Join Audubon to explore this urban oasis in southeast Baltimore. With more than 200 species on record, the park is full of surprises. For directions, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

**June 26 (Sun) 7:00 am. Oregon Ridge Park.** Join us for pop-up walks during the month of June at Oregon Ridge Park. Oregon Ridge Park has one of the highest sites of avian biodiversity in Baltimore County. Over 165 species occur as year-round residents, as migratory species during spring and fall, or as breeding birds that use Oregon Ridge as a place to raise their young. We will be looking for many of the 55+ species that nest here including both Baltimore and Orchard Orioles, Scarlet Tanagers, Grasshopper Sparrows, Acadian Flycatchers, Wood Thrush, Red-shouldered and Red-tailed Hawks, and many more. Other notable birds to see are the Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, Warbling Vireo, Blue Grosbeak, and many others. Meet at 7:00 am at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center. Leader: Simon Best, simonrabest@gmail.com.
JULY

**Jul 10 (Sun)** 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Marshy Point Nature Center.** Easy half-day walk through varied habitats for feeder birds and other songbirds, raptors, and waterfowl. A half-mile trail leads to a point overlooking Dundee Creek. All are welcome, including families. Telescopes useful. Leaders: Brent and Mary Byers, baypuffin@hotmail.com or 410-686-7294.

**Jul 17 (Sun)** 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Youth Birding**. "Waterfowl" will be this month's theme. These walks are designed to encourage the appreciation of birds and bird habitat conservation to minors through mentorship and education. They will change monthly and may include youth-oriented education programs, youth birding trips, and competitions. Please contact the leader for more information. Meet at Patterson Park. Leader: Daisy Sudano, dsudanotrainings@yahoo.com, 443-416-9867.

**Jul 23 (Sat)** 8:00 AM-9:30 AM  **Druid Hill Park.** Join Audubon and the Maryland Zoo to explore this leafy city park. From forest to lake, a variety of bird species await. For information, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

**Jul 24 (Sun)** 7:00 am.  **Oregon Ridge Park.** Join us for pop-up walks during the month of July at Oregon Ridge Park. Oregon Ridge Park has one of the highest sites of avian biodiversity in Baltimore County. Over 165 species occur as year-round residents, as migratory species during spring and fall, or as breeding birds that use Oregon Ridge as a place to raise their young. We will be looking for many of the 55+ species that nest here including both Baltimore and Orchard Orioles, Scarlet Tanagers, Grasshopper Sparrows, Acadian Flycatchers, Wood Thrush, Red-shouldered and Red-tailed Hawks, and many more. Other notable birds to see are the Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, Warbling Vireo, Blue Grosbeak, and many others. Meet at 7:00 am at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center. Leader: Simon Best, simonrabest@gmail.com.

**Jul 30 (Sat)** 8:00 AM-9:30 AM  **Patterson Park.** Join Audubon to explore this urban oasis in southeast Baltimore. With more than 200 species on record, the park is full of surprises. For directions, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

AUGUST

**Aug 14 (Sun)** 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  **Marshy Point Nature Center.** Easy half-day walk through varied habitats for feeder birds and other songbirds, raptors, and waterfowl. A half-mile trail leads to a point overlooking Dundee Creek. All are welcome, including families. Telescopes useful. Leaders: Brent and Mary Byers, baypuffin@hotmail.com or 410-686-7294.

**Aug 20 (Sat)** 8:00 AM-9:30 AM  **Druid Hill Park.** Join Audubon and the Maryland Zoo to explore this leafy city park. From forest to lake, a variety of bird species await. For information, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.
Aug 21 (Sun) 8:00 AM-11:00 AM **Youth Birding**. "Bird Banding" will be this month's theme. These walks are designed to encourage the appreciation of birds and bird habitat conservation to minors through mentorship and education. They will change monthly and may include youth-oriented education programs, youth birding trips, and competitions. Please contact the leader for more information. Leader: Daisy Sudano, dsudanotrainings@yahoo.com, 443-416-9867.

Aug 27 (Sat) 8:00 AM-9:30 AM Patterson Park. Join Audubon to explore this urban oasis in southeast Baltimore. With more than 200 species on record, the park is full of surprises. For directions, contact Patterson Park Audubon Center. Participants must adhere to our COVID code of conduct and register in advance at our website, patterson.audubon.org.

Aug 27 (Sat) 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Shorebirds. Shorebird migration begins early; by the 4th of July, some species are already passing south again and by the end of August, migration for many shorebirds is peaking across our region. There are nearly two dozen shorebird species that are possible in late August in Delaware and we will work to find and identify as many as possible. We will put special effort into finding scarcer species, such as American Golden Plover, Whimbrel, Hudsonian Godwit, and Baird's Sandpiper. Aside from shorebirds, we will look for a number of other bayshore species, including Seaside and Saltmarsh sparrows, Sedge Wrens, and White Ibis. We will visit sites along the Delaware Bay coast, including Bombay Hook NWR, Ted Harvey Conservation Area, and Milford Neck Wildlife Area. Exact schedule to be determined based on tides. Note this is an all-day trip; snacks, sunscreen, bug spray highly recommended! We will meet at the Townsend Park & Ride near Townsend, Delaware. Trip limited to 15 people. RSVP to leader. Leader: Mike Hudson, mike.p.hudson@gmail.com.

DIRECTIONS TO MEETING PLACES

Coppermine Fieldhouse. Take Falls Rd./MD-25. Make a right onto Coppermine Terrace if heading south on Falls Rd. or make a left on Coppermine Terrace if heading north on Falls Rd. and follow to the parking lot 1400 Coppermine Terrace, Baltimore, Md. 21209. GPS coordinates 39.385988, -76.661170.

Cromwell Valley Park. From Baltimore Beltway I-695 inner loop (eastbound) take Exit 29A Cromwell Bridge Rd. At end of entrance ramp, turn left to head northeast on Cromwell Bridge Rd. From beltway outer loop (westbound) take Exit 29 ramp down to Cromwell Bridge Rd. Turn left to head northeast on Cromwell Bridge Rd. Once on Cromwell, continue 1.4 miles beyond the light, turn left at the second CVP entrance, "Willow Grove Farm." Follow entrance road, cross a small bridge, and park in lot on left. For a safer turn (better visibility) you can turn left at the first CVP entrance, “Sherwood Farm,” go up the long, windy entrance drive and park behind the Sherwood House. Then walk the paved park road—pedestrians only—east to the Willow Grove parking lot. Allow 5-10 minutes for the walk. GPS Coordinates: 39.416843, -76.547038.

Cylburn. From Baltimore Beltway I-695, go south on I-83 Jones Falls Expressway. Take Northern Parkway Exit west (right). Go about ½ mile up hill to traffic light, turn left on Greenspring Avenue. Go about ¼ mile,
just past first road intersection, and turn left through stone gate entrance into Cylburn Arboretum grounds. Follow the drive to circle in front of the Vollmer Center building. Go most of the way around the circle to enter the parking area.

- For **Cylburn walks**, meet in the parking lot near Vollmer Center.
- For **Covered Dish Dinner**, drop off passengers, food or other items in front of the Vollmer Center building, then continue around circle to park in the lot.
- For **lectures at the Greenhouse classroom**, follow signs at back end of parking lot (i.e., from that point, turn right, then immediately turn right again, go up short hill to small parking lot on top of the hill). The building beside the lot has a side entrance door. Go in and left, walk through a short hallway, and through a door at the end into the lecture room.

GPS Coordinates 39.351721, -76.655407 Follow directions above to specific meeting place.

**Days Cove.** Days Cove is located at the end of Days Cove Rd, off Rt. 40 in White Marsh, MD. Keep driving past the Eastern Sanitary Landfill Solid Waste Management Facility and at the split for the reclamation center (Days Cove C&D Landfill), bear left through the open gate and travel down the gravel road (there is a small sign out front that says "Days Cove Environmental Education Center"). Continue along the gravel road for about 0.7 miles until you reach the parking area, then proceed to the patio behind Smuck house. For Google Maps use ‘Genstar Haul Rd, Maryland 21162’ or 39°23'42.8"N 76°22'23.4"W

**Druid Hill Park-Boat Lake.** Meet at the Baltimore Zoo’s Boat Lake, and park alongside it on Mansion House Drive. An easy way to find the meeting place is to search Google Maps for ‘Boat Lake, Druid Hill’ or use the coordinates 39.321062, -76.645452.

**Fairwood Forest.** From Belair Road (US 1) **heading south**, make a right on White Ave. Turn right on Fairwood Ave. From Belair Road (US 1) **heading north**, make a left on White Ave. Turn right on Fairwood Ave. 5921 Fairwood Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21206. GPS coordinates 39.347918, -76.543670

**Ft. McHenry.** From I-95, take Hanover Street Exit 55 (McComas Street) east (last exit before tunnel eastbound, first after tunnel westbound), north (left) on Key Highway which turns west, first left Lawrence Street, left (east) on Fort Avenue and continue east to the entrance gate into Fort McHenry. Alternate route: Take the JFX, I-83 south to St Paul Street exit. Go south on St Paul until it becomes Light Street. Turn left (east) onto Fort Avenue, and continue to end and entrance gate as above. https://www.nps.gov/fomc/planyourvisit/directions.htm. GPS coordinates 39.265341, -76.583458

**Please note:**
Access to Restricted Wetland Area-Due to the conditions that you will encounter on trails in this waterfront/marsh environment with natural water barriers such as rocks and tree limbs, please plan to wear sturdy footwear such as working or hiking boots or trail shoes and use caution. Please avoid contact with water or debris along trails. Access to the wetland area is limited. Signed Volunteer Services Agreement is required and will be provided for signature in advance.

**Green Mount Cemetery.** 1501 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, MD, 21202. The entrance gate opens at 9:00 a.m., and parking is inside the gate on the cemetery roads. GPS coordinates 39.307664, -76.608721

**Herring Run Park** - From Baltimore Beltway I-695 take exit 32A to merge onto US-1 S/Blair Rd toward Overlea. Go 4.2 miles, make right on Chesterfield Ave., go 0.7 miles, park along Chesterfield Ave. near the intersection of Harford Rd. Meet on Chesterfield Ave. near the intersection of Harford Rd. **GPS coordinates** 39.331229, -76.579189
**Howard County Conservancy.** From I-695 take exit 16-16A-16B to merge onto I-70 W toward Frederick. Take exit 87B toward Columbia Pike. Use the left 2 lanes to turn left onto MD-99 W/Old Frederick Rd. Turn right in entrance road. Turn right into parking lot. Destination will be on the left. GPS coordinates 39.315489,-76.875477

**Irvine Nature Center,** 11201 Garrison Forest Rd., Owings Mills. From Beltway I-695 take Exit 20 for Reisterstown Rd, MD-140 north toward Garrison. Turn right onto Greenspring Valley Rd. Turn left onto Garrison Forest Rd. and go 2.1 miles. Driveway to Irvine is on the right. GPS coordinates 39.433029,-76.762759

**Lake Roland.** From Falls Rd. turn onto Lakeside Dr. Continue straight. Turn right into Light Rail Parking Lot (Boardwalk entrance to park). GPS coordinates 39.376262,-76.649477

**Marshy Point Nature Center.** From Baltimore Beltway I-695, take Exit 36, Route 702. Take 2nd exit, Chase/Eastern Boulevard, Route 150 east. Go 6 miles. Turn right at Marshy Point sign. Go 1/2 mile, turn left into Nature Center parking lot. GPS coordinates 39.348692,-76.370541

**Milford Mill Park aka Villa Nova Park.** From the Baltimore Beltway/I-695, take Exit 18 and go west on MD Route 26/Liberty Rd. Make a right at the first traffic light to go north on Washington Avenue. Washington Avenue ends at Milford Mill Rd.; at that point, turn right (east) onto Milford Mill Rd. The small parking area for the Park is on the right immediately after the overpass. GPS coordinates 39.360030,-76.742683

**Natural History Society of Maryland.** From Baltimore Beltway I-695, take exit 32A and merge onto Belair Rd heading southeast. Continue 1.2 miles, MNHS will be on your right. Or, from E. Northern Parkway, turn left onto Belair Rd. MNHS is 2 blocks north on your left. Parking lot north of the building, additional parking across the street. 6908 Belair Rd, #1122 Baltimore 21206

**North Point State Park.** From Baltimore Beltway I-695 take Exit 42, North Point Boulevard toward Sparrows Point. Make an immediate left onto Bethlehem Rd., and keep right onto North Point Rd. Go through the town of Edgemere and keep going, past Millers Island Rd., until you see the signs for North Point State Park on the left. Go in the entrance, parking will be on left after toll kiosk ($4 per car or free with Senior Pass). GPS coordinates 39.220991,-76.430216

**Nursery Rd/Hammonds Ferry Rd Park n Ride (P&R).** From Baltimore Beltway I-695 outer loop (southbound), take Exit 8B (NOT 8A), ramp leads to parking lot across Hammonds Ferry Road. From Beltway inner loop (northbound), take Exit 8 ramp, right onto Fairview, turn right onto Nursery Road, right onto Hammonds Ferry Road, then left at next light into Park-n-Ride lot. GPS coordinates 39.227299,-76.665519

**Oregon Ridge Park.** From Beltway take I-83 North to Exit 20B (Shawan Road West). Follow Shawan Road to the first light, Beaver Dam Road, and turn left. Immediately after making the left onto Beaver Dam Road, there will be a fork in the road. Take the right fork. Follow the driveway up to the parking lot, and meet at the Nature Center, located a short walk up the rest of the driveway, at the top of the hill. GPS coordinates 39.493823,-76.690401

**Patterson Park Boat Lake.** From downtown Baltimore, drive east on Pratt Street until you dead end at South Patterson Park Avenue. Turn right on to S. Patterson Park Avenue. Turn left on Eastern Ave. Park
on Eastern Ave near the 2500-2600 block. The nearest cross street is Luzerne Ave. Follow paths into the park heading north. The boat lake is west of the baseball fields. We will meet at the south end, which is closest to Eastern Ave. Handicap parking may be available at the Virginia S. Baker Recreation Center or at the Senior Center located within the park. Please coordinate with the trip leader closer to the tour date for this availability.

**Port Mahon Fishing Pier.**
Via Bay Bridge: Continue straight on US301-N. After 47 miles Turn right onto MD-302 E/Barclay Rd. Continue onto DE-11 N. Turn right onto Rd 103/Hourglass Rd. Turn left onto DE-8.
Continue straight onto Forest St for 0.3 mi. Continue onto W Division St for 1.8 mi. Continue onto DE-8/N Little Creek Rd. Slight right onto DE-8 turn right at the intersection with Main Street/DE-9. At the Little Creek Post Office, turn left onto Port Mahon Rd. Drive down Port Mahon Rd until you read the pull offs at the old wooden fishing piers.

OR
Via I-95: Take I-95 N. Take exit 4A-B to merge onto DE-1 S/DE-7 S toward Mall Road. Continue to follow DE-1S. From Rte 1 southbound, take Exit 98 for DE-8 towards Dover/Little Creek. Turn left at the end of the exit ramp to stay on DE-8; turn right at the intersection with Main Street/DE-9. At the Little Creek Post Office, turn left onto Port Mahon Rd. Drive down Port Mahon Rd until you read the pull offs at the old wooden fishing piers.

**Rocky Point State Park.** From I-695 keep left at the fork to continue on MD-702 S, follow signs for Essex. Take Back River Neck Rd to Rocky Point Rd. At the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit onto SE Blvd. Continue onto Back River Neck Rd. Turn left onto Barrison Point Rd. Turn right onto Rocky Point Rd. Destination will be on the right. GPS coordinates 39.251908,-76.404923

**Smith Island trip** Directions will be sent to registrants.

**Soldiers Delight Overlook - Deer Park Road.** From I-695 Beltway take Exit 18 Liberty Rd. west 4 miles. Bear right onto Deer Park Rd, just before traffic light and water tower. Go approximately 2 miles and past the entrance to the Visitor Center to Overlook parking on your left.
GPS coordinates 39.414365,-76.835797

**Southwest Area Park-Boat Ramp.**

From downtown Baltimore: Take MD-295 S. Take the Annapolis Rd exit. Turn left onto Annapolis Rd. Turn right onto Wegworth Ln. Turn left onto Mallview Rd. Turn right onto W Patapsco Ave. Make a U-turn at Strand Rd. Turn right onto MD-648 S/Annapolis Rd. Turn left onto Georgia Ave. Continue straight onto Klunk Drive. Turn left to stay on Klunk Dr. Make first right and follow road to boat ramp.

From North and east of Baltimore: I-95 South
Merge onto I-895 South. Go through tunnel and take exit 7 merge onto Potee Street South. Turn right onto W Patapsco Ave. Turn left onto Lily Ave. Continue onto Violet Ave. Turn left onto Annapolis Rd. Turn left onto Georgia Ave. Continue straight onto Klunk Dr. Turn left to stay on Klunk Dr. Make first right and follow road to boat ramp.

From Beltway south or west side: I-695 S
Take exit 9 for Hollins Ferry Rd toward Lansdowne. Keep right at the fork and merge onto Hollins Ferry Rd. Turn right onto Daisy Ave. Turn right onto Annapolis Rd. Turn left onto Georgia Ave. Continue straight onto Klunk Dr. Turn left to stay on Klunk Dr. Make first right and follow road to boat ramp.
GPS coordinates 39.237267,-76.623128
Susquehanna State Park, Rock Run Gristmill. From I-695 Baltimore Beltway, take exit 33 for I-95 north toward New York. Take exit 89 and turn left onto MD-155 east toward Havre de Grace. Turn left on Lapidum Rd. For 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Stafford Rd. After 1-mile destination will be on your left. Park at lot on right at the Gristmill. GPS coordinates 39.607832, -76.142046

Townsend Park & Ride. Take I-95 N. Take exit 4A-B to merge onto DE-1 S/DE-7 S toward Mall Road. Continue to follow DE-1 S. From Rte 1 southbound. From Rte 1 southbound, Take exit 142 towards DE-896 N/MtPleasant; continue onto Pole Bridge Rd before turning left onto US-13 S/DuPont Parkway. In about 6.5 miles turn right onto Pine Tree Rd and into the Townsend Park and Ride.